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SUBJECT: CHILE: MILGP REQUEST FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR

AIRCRAFT STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN COURSE

REF: FISCHER-GALVIN EMAIL 4/16/2007

¶1. This is an action request. See paragraphs 2 and 3.

- 12. Action request: Embassy requests the Department assist in conducting a Leahy Amendment Human Rights review, as well as a general name check, of the following Chilean candidates who have been nominated for training in the U.S., pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act. Please transmit the results of such, including information not strictly covered by the Leahy Amendment, to Embassy.
- 13. The proposed training is the Aircraft Structural Maintenance Technician Course, which will take place at the Inter-American Air Force Academy, Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX, from May 28 August 29, 2007. The name and identifying information of the proposed candidates appear in the following format: name, rank, unit, date of birth, place of birth, and national identification number.
- a. Eduardo GOMEZ Marchant, Petty Officer Second Class, Aircraft Technician, Chilean Navy Air, 13 October 1978, Vaparaiso, CHILE, 13.998.337-8.
- b. Claudio REBOLLEDO Neira, Petty Officer Third Class, Aircraft Technician, Chilean Navy Air, 28 June 1982, Concepcion, CHILE, 15.221.563-0.
- $\P 4$. Embassy's ongoing investigation has not found credible information that the candidates have been involved in gross human rights violations. KELLY